



NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Joe Stecher, Acting Omaha Police Chief Eric Buske, and Mickey Leadingham, Omaha's Resident Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: For having been in Possession of a Short Shotgun on May 31, 2008, Patrick A. Clark was sentenced by the Honorable Laurie Smith Camp, United States District Judge, to serve 63 months in prison, which will be followed by a 3 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment.

On May 31, 2008, police investigated a domestic disturbance in NE Omaha. A woman said her boyfriend, Clark, had entered her residence through the backdoor carrying a shotgun. He pointed his finger at her and said "Gotcha." He then left via the front door and got into a green Ford Taurus. He fired one round into the air as it drove off. At 12:41 am, police saw the vehicle westbound from 16th Street on Storz Expressway. Under the front seat, police found a 12 gauge shotgun, with a barrel length of 11 ½ inches and an overall length of 25 ½ inches; there was one live round in the chamber, a spent shell under the passenger seat, and 2 live shells in the passenger side floorboard of the trunk.

Name of Defendant: Patrick A. Clark

AKA:

Age: 28

City of Residence: Omaha

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Possession of a Short Shotgun carries not more than 10 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Storz Expressway and Florence Blvd, Omaha

Location of Arrest: Storz Expressway and Florence Blvd, Omaha

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: May 31, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: August 28, 2008

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: July 16, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: August 28, 2008

Plea Date(s): October 2, 2008

Sentencing Date: December 29, 2008

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: n/a

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. F.A. Gossett

Held without Bond Custody: Yes

In Continuous Custody Since: May 31, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Laurie Smith Camp

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